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08087931 **INSPEC Abstract Number:** A2001-24-4350-007, C2001-12-3395-004**Title:** Testing of ANR (active noise reduction) headsets**Author** Behar, A.**Author Affiliation:** IBBME, Toronto Univ., Ont., Canada**Journal:** Canadian Acoustics **Conference Title:** Can. Acoust. (Canada) vol.29, no.3 p. 52-5**Publisher:** Canadian Acoust. Assoc ,**Publication Date:** Sept. 2001 **Country of Publication:** Canada**CODEN:** CAACDX **ISSN:** 0711-6659**SICI:** 0711-6659(200109)29:3L:52:TANR;1-4**Material Identity Number:** B883-2001-004**Conference Title:** Acoustics Week in Canada**Conference Date:** 2001 **Conference Location:** Alliston, Ont., Canada**Language:** English **Document Type:** Conference Paper (PA); Journal Paper (JP)**Treatment:** Practical (P)

Abstract: ANR is a technique by which a signal of equal characteristics but with opposite phase is injected to neutralize the original one. Although patented in the early 30th, it was only in 1957 that it was adapted to earmuffs. And it was only in the last 20 or so years that the technique started to be applied outside of the research labs for practical applications. The main advantage of the use of ANR headsets is the increase of the attenuation at frequencies below 1 KHz. There is no significant reduction of the risk of hearing losses at these frequencies. However, due to the forward masking phenomenon, a reduction of the sound level at low frequencies results in an improvement in intelligibility and the consequent ease in oral communications. Therefore, the two main applications of those headsets is in communications and in comfort. A typical ANR includes a microphones, processor and speakers under each of the cups. A communication headset also includes means to inject the audio signal and a noise excluding microphone. The "comfort" headset, found mainly in executive classes of airlines does not include these means. There are two main characteristics that can be measured in an ANR headset. They are the attenuation of different frequencies and the intelligibility as perceived by the wearer under different circumstances (types of noise and sound levels). Although testing of those characteristics is something manufacturers as well as authorities are interested in, there are still no test methods standardized or even recognized. Right now, in Canada, researches are underway (at the DCIEM and the NRC among others) trying to design a testing protocol that could be universally accepted. The Sensory Communications group at the University of Toronto is presently studying a method that uses an Acoustical Test Fixture (ATF or Artificial Head) and allows for the measurement of Insertion Loss (IL). The attenuation could be, eventually calculated using the IL values. At the present, we are interested in the repeatability from consecutive measurements on the same protector, between protectors of the same type, as well as comparison between protectors of different types and from different manufacturers. (0 Refs)

Subfile: A C**Descriptors:** active noise control; ear protection**Identifiers:** active noise reduction headsets; ANR headsets; earmuffs; hearing losses; forward masking phenomenon; intelligibility; oral communications; communication headset; attenuation; testing protocol; Insertion Loss**Class Codes:** A4350 (Acoustic noise, its effects and control); A8734 (Audition); A4360 (Acoustic signal processing); C3395 (Other applications of control); C3120Z (Other nonelectric variables control)

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8/9/2 (Item 2 from file: 2)

06800303 **INSPEC Abstract Number:** B9802-6210D-012

Title: An improved echo shaping algorithm for acoustic echo control

Author Martin, R.; Gustafsson, S.

Author Affiliation: IND, Tech. Hochschule Aachen, Germany

Conference Title: Signal Processing VIII, Theories and Applications. Proceedings of EUSIPCO-96, Eighth European Signal Processing Conference **Part** vol.1 p. 25-8 vol.1

Editor(s): Ramponi, G.; Sicuranza, G.L.; Carrato, S.; Marsi, S.

Publisher: Edizioni LINT Trieste, Trieste, Italy

Publication Date: 1996 **Country of Publication:** Italy 3 vol. lxiii+2144 pp.

ISBN: 88 86179 83 9 **Material Identity Number:** XX96-02176

Conference Title: Proceedings EUSIPCO-96, VII European Signal Processing Conference

Conference Date: 10-13 Sept. 1996 **Conference Location:** Trieste, Italy

Availability: Giovanni L Sicuranza, DEEI, University of Trieste, 34100 Trieste, Italy

Language: English **Document Type:** Conference Paper (PA)

Treatment: Practical (P); Theoretical (T)

Abstract: This paper describes and analyses an improved algorithm for hands-free telephony which uses an acoustic echo canceller combined with an additional FIR-filter (called the "echo shaping filter") in the sending path of hands-free telephones. The algorithm controlling the filter is based on an approximation of an optimal least squares filter. Simulation results show that the algorithm allows a significant reduction in the order of the echo canceller, while still providing high echo attenuation and low distortion of the near end speech signal during double talk. The modulation of the background noise caused by the echo shaping filter can be reduced by adding artificially generated noise to the output signal "comfort noise". (8 Refs)

Subfile: B

Descriptors: circuit optimisation; echo suppression; FIR filters; least squares approximations; telephony; voice communication

Identifiers: echo shaping algorithm; acoustic echo control; hands-free telephony; FIR-filter; echo shaping filter; optimal least squares filter; echo attenuation; speech signal; background noise; comfort noise

Class Codes: B6210D (Telephony); B1270F (Digital filters); B6140 (Signal processing and detection)
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8/9/3 (Item 3 from file: 2)

05722125 **INSPEC Abstract Number:** A9418-4350-003

Title: Narrow-band digital active noise reduction in a siren-cancelling headset: real-ear and acoustical manikin insertion loss

Author Casali, J.G.; Robinson, G.S.

Author Affiliation: Dept. of Ind. & Syst. Eng., Virginia Polytech. Inst. & State Univ., Blacksburg,

VA, USA

Journal: Noise Control Engineering Journal vol.42, no.3 p. 101-16**Publication Date:** May-June 1994 **Country of Publication:** USA**CODEN:** NCEJD5 **ISSN:** 0736-2501**Language:** English **Document Type:** Journal Paper (JP)**Treatment:** Practical (P); Experimental (X)

Abstract: Active noise cancellation (ANC) technology has become available for hearing protectors and communications headsets in efforts to augment their low-frequency passive attenuation performance. Several analog-electronics ANC earmuffs offer active attenuation of up to about 20 dB at frequencies less than 1000 Hz and rely on the muff's passive attenuation at higher frequencies. Such performance lends itself primarily to application in wideband, low-frequency biased noises. However, operators in more narrow-band noise threats may also benefit from a new approach to ANC-based hearing protection devices, i.e., that of the digital, supra-aural headphone. The design, testing, and application of digital ANC-based protectors (as contrasted with analog) are reviewed, and results of an attenuation experiment on a siren-cancelling headphone are presented. The insertion loss measurement scenario utilized one-third-octave, 30-s-average sound pressure levels measured by miniature microphones in real ears and on a KEMAR manikin. Temporally variant siren modes consisting of "wail," "yelp," and "hi-lo," were reproduced at representative wideband 30-s-average sound pressure levels of 90, 95, and 100 dB. There was generally close agreement between the real-ear and KEMAR insertion-loss data at midband frequencies from 500 to 6300 Hz. At the peak siren frequency of 800 Hz, mean real-ear attenuation ranged from 8 to 22 dB. At 4000 Hz and some higher frequencies, attenuations of 15 dB were found, but at the 100 dB levels for the Wail and Yelp signals, significant reductions in attenuation (from those measured at the lower siren levels) occurred as a consequence of a pre-programmed signal-level-limiting feature invoked when the siren-cancelling headset overloaded. The digital active-noise-control technology in the siren-cancelling headset offers potential for providing selective-frequency hearing protection against certain tonal noise hazards, with concomitant benefits to communications and user comfort of a lightweight, supra-aural headphone. (27 Refs)

Subfile: A**Descriptors:** acoustic noise; acoustic signal processing; noise abatement; radiation protection**Identifiers:** narrow-band digital active noise reduction; siren-cancelling headset; acoustical manikin insertion loss; active noise cancellation; hearing protectors; communications headsets; low-frequency passive attenuation; wideband low-frequency biased noises; KEMAR manikin; digital active-noise-control technology; selective-frequency hearing protection; tonal noise hazards**Class Codes:** A4350 (Noise, its effects and control); A4360 (Acoustic signal processing); A8760P (Radiation protection)

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8/9/4 (Item 4 from file: 2)

05692868 **INSPEC Abstract Number:** A9415-4350-003, C9408-3120Z-001**Title:** Near field zones of quiet**Author** Joseph, P.; Elliott, S.J.; Nelson, P.A.**Author Affiliation:** Inst. of Sound & Vibration Res., Southampton Univ., UK**Journal:** Journal of Sound and Vibration vol.172, no.5 p. 605-27**Publication Date:** 19 May 1994 **Country of Publication:** UK

CODEN: JSVIAG **ISSN:** 0022-460X**U.S. Copyright Clearance Center Code:** 0022-460X/94/200605+23\$08.00/0**Language:** English **Document Type:** Journal Paper (JP)**Treatment:** Theoretical (T); Experimental (X)

Abstract: This paper examines the consequences of driving a single secondary loudspeaker to cancel the pressure due to some primary source at a point in its near field. This simple technique has been applied to the sound field in a highly reverberant room to produce zones of quiet in the vicinity of the loudspeaker, which have diameters that are typically equal to one-tenth of the acoustic wavelength, within which the sound pressure level is attenuated by at least 10 dB. The principal advantage gained with this strategy over other active techniques for controlling the sound field in rooms is that the sound pressure level well away from the control point is largely unaffected, an increase of only a small fraction of one dB being typical. Such a loudspeaker-microphone configuration could be located, for example, in the head rests of cars or aeroplanes, or indeed anywhere where the listener is seated for significant lengths of time and subjected to high ambient noise levels such that auditory comfort may be disturbed. Measurements are presented of the near field quiet zone in a reverberant room at frequencies well above the Schroeder frequency. These experimental findings, which represent a space averaged result over source position, indicate good agreement with the simple theory developed in this paper. It is demonstrated theoretically that the diameter of the quiet zone formed at any arbitrary point and direction in the near field of the loudspeaker is numerically proportional to the specific acoustic impedance at that point and direction. In general terms, the 10 dB quiet zone is observed to increase as the diameter of the secondary loudspeaker increases and the microphone is moved increasingly further from the loudspeaker. Close to the loudspeaker the pressure due to the secondary source is predominantly governed by the directly radiated near field and so the quiet zone formed in this region is therefore insensitive to the nature of the primary sound field. This important feature makes it highly suitable for producing reductions in the sound pressure level within enclosed spaces at frequencies where the modal density is high such that global control strategies are rendered ineffective. (27 Refs)

Subfile: A C

Descriptors: acoustic field; acoustic impedance; acoustic signal processing; architectural acoustics; filtering and prediction theory; noise abatement; reverberation

Identifiers: single secondary loudspeaker; primary source; near field; sound field; highly reverberant room; zones of quiet; active techniques; loudspeaker-microphone configuration; cars; aeroplanes; near field quiet zone; Schroeder frequency; acoustic impedance; global control strategies; active noise control

Class Codes: A4350 (Noise, its effects and control); A4355 (Architectural acoustics); A4360 (Acoustic signal processing); C3120Z (Other nonelectric variables); C1260 (Information theory); C3395 (Other applications of control)

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8/9/5 (Item 5 from file: 2)

03224827 **INSPEC Abstract Number:** B84021953**Title:** Some factors affecting the performance of airline entertainment headsets**Author** Gilman, S.**Author Affiliation:** Univ. of California Los Angeles, School of Medicine, Audiology Res. Lab., Los Angeles, CA, USA**Journal:** Journal of the Audio Engineering Society vol.31, no.12 p. 914-20

Publication Date: Dec. 1983 **Country of Publication:** USA
CODEN: ADIOA3 **ISSN:** 0004-7554

Language: English **Document Type:** Journal Paper (JP)

Treatment: Practical (P); Experimental (X)

Abstract: Results of tests of several airline entertainment system headsets on a manikin have shown response features for the headset and insert earpieces (tips) that can substantially affect both a passenger's comfort and the perception of the sound quality. In addition, the ability of the tips to attenuate cabin noise can influence both the intelligibility of speech on sound tracks and the extent to which the sound pressure level necessary for an acceptable signal-to-noise ratio may exceed a safe upper limit. Effects of design differences are described and suggestions are made for improving performance and listener acceptance. (12 Refs)

Subfile: B

Descriptors: headphones; sound reproduction

Identifiers: airline entertainment headsets; response features; insert earpieces; sound quality; cabin noise; sound pressure level; signal-to-noise ratio

Class Codes: B6450D (Audio recording media and techniques)

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8/9/6 (Item 6 from file: 2)

0000462093 **INSPEC Abstract Number:** 1957A04091

Title: Speech communications in noise: Some equipment problems

Author Hawley, M.E.

Journal: Journal of the Acoustical Society of America 28 6 p. 1256-1260

Publication Date: Nov. 1956 **Country of Publication:** USA

Language: English **Document Type:** Journal Paper (JP)

Abstract: The design of a speech communication system begins with an operations analysis of the communication problem. When speech has been chosen as the means and when the needed linkages have been determined, the designer chooses the best compromises among the frequently conflicting factors of intelligibility, safety, comfort, quality, reliability and economy. It is particularly important to provide good quality as well as adequate intelligibility. The latter may be predicted with reasonable accuracy if the noise and signal levels and the transfer characteristics throughout the system are known. Pressure gradient microphones, especially with noise shields, noise attenuating earcaps, and earplugs, are the primary acoustical devices that can be used to obtain high intelligibility through improvement of signal-to-noise ratios. If the listeners are in intense noise, headsets presently pose the major systems limitation. Automatic volume control and peak clipping are the audio techniques most frequently used to complement the transducers. Typical values and limitations for these kinds of processing are given. Optimum results can be obtained only if the whole system is designed together.

Subfile: A

Descriptors: speech

Identifiers: speech

Class Codes: A8736 (Speech and biocommunications); A4370 (Speech communication); A8734 (Audition)

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8/9/7 (Item 1 from file: 6) 1513960 **NTIS Accession Number:** PB90-229741

Improved Hearing Protection in a Mining Environment

(Final rept)

Best, C. F. ; Coleman, G. J. ; Graveling, R. A. ; Simpson, G. C. ; Talbot, C. F.

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Conventional hearing protectors, while adequate for basic hearing conservation in mine operations are less than ideal in terms of related requirements such as signal audibility and comfort/acceptability. A design specification for a hearing protector ideally suited to mineworkers requirements was produced from general guidelines developed in a previous project and initial studies in this project covering comfort and acceptability. The crucial element in the design specification, which is not achieved in any conventional protector was a flat frequency response within the range 15dB-18dB attenuation. Three methods of achieving the required attenuation performance were investigated: passive non-linear, electronic non-linear and active noise reduction. An existing, commercially available, passive non-linear hearing protector was found to have an attenuation profile close to that required and was selected as the passive option. An electronic non-linear hearing protector which had been developed under a previous ECSC project was selected, with modification to the attenuation profile, as the second option.

Descriptors: *Coal mining; *Ear protectors; Auditory defects; Safety engineering; Ear; Attenuation; Noise reduction; Attenuators; Protective clothing; Noise(Sound); Frequencies

Identifiers: *Foreign technology; *Health hazards; NTISDFMBR

Section Headings: 48A (Natural Resources and Earth Sciences--Mineral Industries); 95G (Biomedical Technology and Human Factors Engineering--Protective Equipment) ; 57U (Medicine and Biology--Public Health and Industrial Medicine)

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8/9/8 (Item 1 from file: 8)

09820852 **E.I. No:** EIP04178133343

Title: Hearing protection devices: Issues on selection

Author: Arezes, P.M.; Miguel, A.S.R.

Corporate Source: Dept. of Production Campus de Azurem University of Minho, P - 4800 Guimaraes, Portugal

Conference Title: Proceedings of the XIVth Triennial Congress of the International Ergonomics Association and 44th Annual Meeting of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Association, 'Ergonomics for the New Millennium'

Conference Location: San Diego, CA, United States **Conference Date:** 20000729-20000804

E.I. Conference No.: 62639

Source: Proceedings of the XIVth Triennial Congress of the International Ergonomics Association and 44th Annual Meeting of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Association, 'Ergonomics for the New Millennium' 2000.

Publication Year: 2000

Language: English

Document Type: CA; (Conference Article) **Treatment:** T; (Theoretical)

Journal Announcement: 0405W1

Abstract: Although hearing protection devices (HPD) should be used as a temporary solution, their selection shouldn't be neglected. Some ergonomics features associated with this kind of protective device must be taken into account. The present study aims at analyzing the relationship between the efficiency and the ergonomics aspects related to the comfort afforded by a personal hearing protector when used in industrial noisy environments. Results obtained seem to demonstrate that there are significant differences between catalogued and effective attenuation. Finally, we must emphasize that the former goal can only be achieved through the attainment of an adequate balance between the range of parameters likely to determine HPD usage. Moreover, it is important to consider the role played by the workers, namely their attitude towards the use of hearing protection, which will ultimately determine the overall success of any hearing conservation program. 9 Refs.

Descriptors: *Hearing aids; Ergonomics; Audition; Acoustic noise; Attenuation; Noise abatement; Signal detection; Education; Data acquisition; Microphones; Correlation methods

Identifiers: Hearing protection devices (HPD); Comfort indices (CI)

Classification Codes:

461.5 (Human Rehabilitation Engineering); 752.1 (Acoustic Devices); 461.4 (Human Engineering); 941.1 (Acoustical Instruments); 751.4 (Acoustic Noise); 751.1 (Acoustic Waves); 716.1 (Information & Communication Theory); 901.2 (Education); 723.2 (Data Processing); 922.2 (Mathematical Statistics)

461 (Bioengineering); 752 (Sound Devices, Equipment & Systems); 941 (Acoustical & Optical Measuring Instruments); 751 (Acoustics, Noise & Sound); 716 (Electronic Equipment, Radar, Radio & Television); 901 (Engineering Profession); 723 (Computer Software, Data Handling & Applications); 922 (Statistical Methods)

46 (BIOENGINEERING); 75 (SOUND & ACOUSTICAL TECHNOLOGY); 94 (INSTRUMENTS & MEASUREMENT); 71 (ELECTRONICS & COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING); 90 (ENGINEERING, GENERAL); 72 (COMPUTERS & DATA PROCESSING); 92 (ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS)

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8/9/9 (Item 2 from file: 8)

08430036 E.I. No: EIP99114927395

Title: Attenuation correction for PET using count-limited transmission images reconstructed with median root prior

Author: Alenius, S.; Ruotsalainen, U.; Astola, J.

Corporate Source: Tampere Univ of Technology, Tampere, Finl

Conference Title: Proceedings of the 1998 Medical Imaging Conference (MIC)

Conference Location: Toronto, Ont, Can **Conference Date:** 19981112-19981114

E.I. Conference No.: 55638

Source: IEEE Transactions on Nuclear Science v 46 n 3 II 1999. p 646-651

Publication Year: 1999

CODEN: IETNAE **ISSN:** 0018-9499

Language: English

Document Type: JA; (Journal Article) **Treatment:** A; (Applications); T; (Theoretical)

Journal Announcement: 0001W3

Abstract: Quantitative PET studies require the computation of the attenuation correction factors (ACF) for compensating the body attenuation effect in the emission data. Short acquisition times for transmission are desired, because of patient comfort and movement elimination. In practice, long acquisition times are used due to the statistical noise of count-limited scans. In order to reduce the noise, the median root prior (MRP) iterative reconstruction method was used for reconstruction of short acquisition time transmission images. Using these images, the ACFs were generated for correction of emission data. The new approach allows for scan times of 2 min or less, which is desirable for quantitative whole body PET studies. The new method is object independent and robust, because no smoothing of scan data or segmentation of the image are used. (Author abstract) 17 Refs.

Descriptors: *Positron emission tomography; Image reconstruction; Image enhancement; Attenuation; Computational methods; Motion compensation; Spurious signal noise; Iterative methods; Image segmentation; Algorithms

Identifiers: Attenuation correction; Count limited transmission images; Median root prior; Iterative reconstruction method; Maximum likelihood expectation maximization

Classification Codes:

461.1 (Biomedical Engineering); 741.1 (Light/Optics); 921.6 (Numerical Methods); 701.1 (Electricity: Basic Concepts & Phenomena)

461 (Biotechnology); 741 (Optics & Optical Devices); 921 (Applied Mathematics); 701 (Electricity & Magnetism)

46 (BIOENGINEERING); 74 (OPTICAL TECHNOLOGY); 92 (ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS); 70 (ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING)

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8/9/10 (Item 3 from file: 8)

07241842 E.I. No: EIP95092843592

Title: Hybrid attenuation correction technique to compensate for lung density in 3D total body PET

Author: Tai, Y.-C.; Lin, K.-P.; Dahlbom, M.; Huang, S.-C.; Hoffman, E.J.

Corporate Source: UCLA Sch of Medicine, Los Angeles, CA, USA

Conference Title: Proceedings of the 1994 Nuclear Science Symposium and Medical Imaging Conference. Part 4 (of 4)

Conference Location: Norfolk, VA, USA **Conference Date:** 19941030-19941105

E.I. Conference No.: 43495

Source: IEEE Nuclear Science Symposium & Medical Imaging Conference v 4 1995. IEEE, Piscataway, NJ, USA, 94CH35762. p 1643-1647

Publication Year: 1995

CODEN: 85OQAD

Language: English

Document Type: CA; (Conference Article) **Treatment:** A; (Applications); T; (Theoretical)

Journal Announcement: 9510W5

Abstract: A hybrid attenuation correction technique (ACT) has been developed for ¹⁸F-FDG Total Body Positron Emission Tomography (PET). With a short transmission scan of the thorax, any

time within a few days of the isotope injection, it can correct for attenuation in the entire body. Segmentation, registration, and active contour finding techniques are applied to both emission and short transmission images to locate and map the major attenuating structures in the body. This technique eliminates the need for patient to remain still from the start of the transmission scan to the end of the emission scan without the added noise of simultaneous or post transmission scan measurements. The results of volunteer studies are comparable to standard measured ACT, both visually and quantitatively. Efficient use of scanner and maximum comfort for patients make it a highly desirable technique for clinical imaging. (Author abstract) 11 Refs.

Descriptors: *Positron emission tomography; Image processing; Three dimensional; Tissue; Image segmentation; Scanning; Spurious signal noise; Medical imaging; Fuzzy sets; Algorithms

Identifiers: Hybrid attenuation correction technique; Pixels; Thorax; Isotope injection; Attenuation correction factors; Thresholding; Fuzzy thresholding algorithms ; Image volume

Classification Codes:

461.1 (Biomedical Engineering); 723.2 (Data Processing); 461.2 (Biological Materials); 716.1 (Information & Communication Theory); 921.4 (Combinatorial Mathematics, Includes Graph Theory, Set Theory)

461 (Biotechnology); 723 (Computer Software); 716 (Radar, Radio & TV Electronic Equipment); 921 (Applied Mathematics)

46 (BIOENGINEERING); 72 (COMPUTERS & DATA PROCESSING); 71 (ELECTRONICS & COMMUNICATIONS); 92 (ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS)

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06917070 E.I. No: EIP94081360491

Title: Narrow-band digital active noise reduction in a siren-cancelling headset: Real-ear and acoustical manikin insertion loss

Author: Casali, John G.; Robinson, Gary S.

Corporate Source: Virginia Polytechnic Inst and State Univ, Blacksburg, VA, USA

Source: Noise Control Engineering Journal v 42 n 3 May-Jun 1994. p 101-115

Publication Year: 1994

CODEN: NCEJD5 **ISSN:** 0736-2501

Language: English

Document Type: JA; (Journal Article) **Treatment:** A; (Applications); X; (Experimental)

Journal Announcement: 9409W5

Abstract: Active noise cancellation (ANC) technology has become available for hearing protectors and communications headsets in efforts to augment their low-frequency passive attenuation performance. Several analog-electronics ANC earmuffs offer active attenuation of up to about 20 dB at frequencies less than 1000 Hz and rely on the muff's passive attenuation at higher frequencies. Such performance lends itself primarily to application in wideband, low-frequency biased noises. However, operators in more narrow-band noise threats may also benefit from a new approach to ANC-based hearing protection devices, i.e., that of the digital, supra-aural headphone. The design, testing, and application of digital ANC-based protectors (as contrasted with analog) are reviewed, and results of an attenuation experiment on a siren-cancelling headphone are presented. The insertion loss measurement scenario utilized one-third-octave, 30-s-average sound pressure levels measured by miniature microphones in real ears and on a KEMAR manikin. Temporally variant siren modes consisting of 'wail,' 'yelp,' and 'hi-lo,' were reproduced at representative wideband 30-s-average sound pressure levels of 90, 95, and

100 dB. There was generally close agreement between the real-ear and KEMAR insertion-loss data at midband frequencies from 500 to 6300 Hz. At the peak siren frequency of 800 Hz, mean real-ear attenuation ranged from 8 to 22 dB. At 4000 Hz and some higher frequencies, attenuations of 15 dB were found, but at the 100 dB levels for the Wail and Yelp signals, significant reductions in attenuation (from those measured at the lower siren levels) occurred as a consequence of a pre-programmed signal-level-limiting feature invoked when the siren-cancelling headset overloaded. The digital active-noise-control technology in the siren-cancelling headset offers potential for providing selective-frequency hearing protection against certain tonal noise hazards, with concomitant benefits to communications and user comfort of a lightweight, supra-aural headphone. (Author abstract) 27 Refs.

Descriptors: *Noise abatement; Digital filters; Active filters; Sirens; Headphones; Ear protectors; Linear control systems; Acoustic variables control; Acoustic signal processing; Attenuation

Identifiers: Siren cancelling headset; Narrow band digital active noise reduction; Acoustical manikin KEMAR; Insertion loss; Sound pressure; Supra aural headphones

Classification Codes:

751.4 (Acoustic Noise); 703.2 (Electric Filters); 752.4 (Acoustic Generators); 752.1 (Acoustic Devices); 731.2 (Control System Applications); 731.3 (Specific Variables Control)

751 (Acoustics); 703 (Electric Circuits); 752 (Sound Equipment & Systems); 731 (Automatic Control Principles)

75 (ACOUSTICAL TECHNOLOGY); 70 (ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING); 73 (CONTROL ENGINEERING)

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8/9/12 (Item 5 from file: 8)

04517849 E.I. Monthly No: EI8405043371 E.I. Yearly No: EI84057493

Title: SOME FACTORS AFFECTING THE PERFORMANCE OF AIRLINE ENTERTAINMENT HEADSETS.

Author: Gilman, Samuel

Corporate Source: Univ of California, Sch of Medicine, Audiology Research Lab, Los Angeles, Calif, USA

Source: Journal of the Audio Engineering Society v 31 n 12 Dec 1983 p 914-920

Publication Year: 1983

CODEN: ADIOA3 **ISSN:** 0004-7554

Language: ENGLISH

Journal Announcement: 8405

Abstract: Results of tests of several airline entertainment system headsets on a manikin have shown response features for the headset and insert earpieces (tips) that can substantially affect both a passenger's comfort and the perception of the sound quality. In addition, the ability of the tips to attenuate cabin noise can influence both the intelligibility of speech on sound tracks and the extent to which the sound pressure level necessary for an acceptable signal-to-noise ratio may exceed a safe upper limit. Effects of design differences are described and suggestions are made for improving performance and listener acceptance. 12 refs.

Descriptors: *HEADPHONES; AIRCRAFT--Auxiliary Equipment; SOUND REPRODUCTION

Identifiers: AIRLINE ENTERTAINMENT HEADSETS

Classification Codes:

752 (Sound Equipment & Systems); 652 (Aircraft)

75 (ACOUSTICAL TECHNOLOGY); 65 (AEROSPACE ENGINEERING)

8/9/13 (Item 6 from file: 8)

03833356 E.I. Monthly No: EI7907054381 E.I. Yearly No: EI79059281

Title: EVALUATION OF AN ACTIVE NOISE REDUCTION SYSTEM FOR USE WITH EAR DEFENDERS.

Author: Dorey, A. P.; Pelc, S. F.; Rawlinson, R. D.; Wheeler, P. D.

Corporate Source: Southampton Univ, Engl

Source: IEE Conference Publication n 162, Conf on Commun Equip and Syst, Birmingham, Engl, Apr 4-7 1978. Publ by IEE, London, Engl, 1978 p 374-377

Publication Year: 1978

CODEN: IECPB4

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Abstract: In a high noise environment, conventional ear defenders are incapable of providing sufficient noise attenuation at low frequencies (below APPROX EQUALS 1 kHz). An active reduction system has been developed in which the acoustic noise field inside the ear defenders is detected using a miniature microphone and an antiphase signal is fed back to the communications telephone within the ear defender. The feedback loop also affects the communications signal which has to be compensated outside the loop. The use of active noise reduction in a laboratory trial simulating flight conditions has been shown to give encouraging objective and subjective results. The additional subjective comfort was noted by many subjects.

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NARROW-BAND DIGITAL ACTIVE NOISE-REDUCTION IN A SIREN-CANCELING HEADSET - REAL-EAR AND ACOUSTICAL MANNEQUIN INSERTION LOSS

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Abstract: Active noise cancellation (ANC) technology has become available for hearing protectors and communications headsets in efforts to augment their low-frequency passive attenuation performance. Several analog-electronics ANC earmuffs offer active attenuation of up to about 20 dB at frequencies less than 1000 Hz and rely on the muff's passive attenuation at higher frequencies. Such performance lends itself primarily to application in wideband, low-frequency biased noises. However, operators in more narrow-band noise threats may also benefit from a new approach to ANC-based hearing protection devices, i.e., that of the digital, supra-aural headphone. The design, testing, and application of digital ANC-based protectors (as contrasted with analog) are reviewed, and results of an attenuation experiment on a siren-cancelling headphone are presented. The insertion loss measurement scenario utilized one-third-octave, 30-s-average sound pressure levels measured by miniature microphones in real ears and on a KEMAR manikin. Temporally variant siren modes consisting of "wail," "yelp," and "hi-lo," were reproduced at representative wideband 30-s-average sound pressure levels of 90, 95, and 100 dB. There was generally close agreement between the real-ear and KEMAR insertion-loss data at midband frequencies from 500 to 6300 Hz. At the peak siren frequency of 800 Hz, mean real-ear attenuation ranged from 8 to 22 dB. At 4000 Hz and some higher frequencies, attenuations of 15 dB were found, but at the 100 dB levels for the Wail and Yelp signals, significant reductions in attenuation (from those measured at the lower siren levels) occurred as a consequence of a pre-programmed signal-level-limiting feature invoked when the siren-cancelling headset overloaded. The digital active-noise-control technology in the siren-cancelling headset offers potential for providing selective-frequency hearing protection against certain tonal noise hazards, with concomitant benefits to communications and user comfort of a lightweight, supra-aural headphone.

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